

*David Allison to John Gray Blount*Philad^a. May 6th. 1796

Dear Sir

I am still struggling against the adverse waves fearing the coming of June which really approaches too rapidly for my perfect convenience "sufficient for the day is the Evil thereof[.]" I will not therefore despair until I have no more than time to send an Express to Raleigh and I keep one ready at an hour on whom you may count seeing time enough to save us from sinking, he will bear orders for Gracie & Andersons Certificates and Hartshorne & Lindleys about forty thousand dollars and I flatter myself about twenty thousand in Cash[.] whether this will discharge our debt or not I cant say but it will be the amount I can do if I get more you may be satisfied that I will be certain to clear you from your troubles [2] which are not greater than mine altho I have learned to bear misfortunes better than you — As such a June would represent to you a Grand *Jubilee* I hope you will spend the last week in May at Raleigh for I swear I will clear you on that Week from Pecuniary troubles in North Carolina — am I ever to expect another Letter from you or may I ask why you have not written to me for so long

Yours &C.

David Allison

John G Blount Esq^r.

Addressed: John Gray Blount Esquire
 Washington
 N^o. Carolina

John Gray Blount to Peter Schermerhorn

Washington May 13th 1796

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This will be delivered to you by Captain Smith by whom I send a Kegg of Potters Clay or Fullers Earth of which there is in the neighborhood of this place an abundance on a piece of Land now for sale and as the value of the Land much depends

¹¹⁷ From the Letter Book.